

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3390
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National Horticulture Mission
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(a) whether the Government proposes to encourage horticulture including cultivation of fruits and vegetables in various States of the country including Maharashtra and Odisha and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that the subsidy provided to farmers under National Horticulture Mission is very low in various States of the country including Odisha;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any proposal to enhance the rate of assistance to farmers under the NHM for area expansion programme and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of the financial assistance provided by the Government to various States of the country including Odisha and Maharashtra during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(a): For the integrated and holistic development of horticulture sector in the country, Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) is being implemented w.e.f. 2014-15. Main objective of the mission is to Promote holistic growth of horticulture sector, including bamboo and coconut through area based regionally differentiated strategies, which includes research, technology promotion, extension, post harvest management, processing and marketing, in consonance with comparative advantage of each State/region and its diverse agro-climatic features. All states including Maharashtra, Odisha and UTs are covered under MIDH.

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Under MIDH, financial assistance is provided for following major interventions/activities:

- (b) & (c): The subsidy/ rate of assistance is calculated on the basis of cost norms of various crops, including fruits and vegetables. The cost norms of Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) are fixed on the basis of cost of cultivation of that particular crop taking into account of all input costs.

(e): Statement indicating state-wise details of the financial assistance provided by the Government to various States of the country including Odisha and Maharashtra during the last three years and the current year for NHM/HMNEH is at Annexure .

* After the formation of new scheme i.e. National Agro-Forestry & Bamboo Mission, NABM is no longer part of MIDH.